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Goodwill Service Guild Gives Gift to Organization

Cincinnati, OH -- December 21, 2009 -- Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries received an early holiday gift from its Service Guild at the organization's annual holiday luncheon on December 18, 2009. The Service Guild presented Goodwill President and CEO Joseph Byrum with a check for \$20,000 to be used for programs and services to assist men and women with disabilities and other vocational needs.

For over 70 years the Goodwill Service Guild has been providing outreach and support for the vocational training and job development center. An additional purpose of the organization is to assist in helping the community to become aware of Ohio Valley Goodwill's mission. The Service Guild operates the *Treasure Island Gift Shop* at Goodwill's Tri-County retail store and training facility. The shop sells jewelry, wonderful gift items, unique toys, crystal objects and many one-of-a-kind collector's items. The group is also involved in a variety of other fundraising and support activities to help raise dollars for the organization.

"We are pleased to give this well deserved gift to Goodwill and the Service Guild knows that this will help the organization with its mission to serve men and women with disabilities through the year to come," said Jane Kreps, Service Guild President. In accepting the gift from the Guild, CEO Joseph Byrum commented that it would be used to support services for individuals with disabilities that the organization serves each year.

As one of the largest providers of vocational training and job placement services in Southwestern Ohio, Goodwill has had a long history of excellence in the quality of services it provides to Greater Cincinnati. Last year (2008), Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries provided service to more than 2,600 people and placed 678 individuals into competitive community jobs. With support from the local community, Goodwill helps put people to work.

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